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Stockholme, Decemb. 20.

THE States of this Kingdom are ſtill Aſſembled; The King at their firſt meeting demanded of them a Supply of 16 Tun of Gold, that is 16 hundred thouſand Florins, to enable him to put himſelf into the poſture which the preſent conjuncture requires; but ſince, his Majeſty has let them know, that he will at this time be ſatisfied with half that Sum, upon condition, That if a War break out, he ſhall then have the whole yearly during the War; which it's not doubted but the States will agree to. Yeſterday ſix Deputies of the Peaſants were by the Kings command committed to Priſon, for having ſpoken to the King with a liberty that did not become them. They ſeem here very intent upon their Maritine Preparations; Three or four hundred new raiſed Men are lately ſent down to the Fleet, and more are raiſing; all the Officers have orders to be ready upon the Admirals Summons, and are promiſed their Arrears; Several Merchant Ships are taken into the Kings ſervice, and it's ſaid they will have near 40 Sail of Ships ready to put to Sea in the firſt of the Spring.

Vienna, Jan. 3. We have an account from *Hungary*, that the Turks have again attempted to make themſelves Maſters of the Iſland *Schut*, but that they were forced to retire with loſs; but it being feared they will not eaſily quit this deſign, the Emperor is ſending ſeveral Regiments to ſtrengthen the Troops quartered in the ſaid Iſland. Count *Wallaſtain*, whom the Emperor has appointed to go his Ambaſſador to the King of *Poland*, will begin his Journey in few days. The reſolution that was taken for the demoliſhing the Suburbs of this City is changed, and in ſtead thereof it is now reſolved to fortifie them, and to lodge a good Body of Men in them. The Magiſtrates of this City having examined the Liſt of their Burghers that are capable to bear Arms, find they do amount to 20000 men fit for ſervice. The States of the *Lower Auſtria* are appointed to meet the 11th Inſtant. We have advice that the Plague is broke out at *Caſchaw* in *Upper Hungary*, and that Count *Teckeley* was thereupon removed from thence.

Hamburg, Januaty 8. From *Berlin* they write, that the Elector of *Brandenburg* had anſwered the Imperial Miniſter upon his deſiring him to meet the Emperor at *Ratisbonne*, that his Age and Gout would not ſuffer him to undertake ſuch a Journy, but that if his Imperial Majeſty pleaſed he would ſend an Embaſſie thither that ſhould ſupply his place.

Francfort, Januaty 7. The Baron *de Walderdorf* having performed his Commiſſion to the Electors on the *Rhine*, is returned for *Vienna*. From *Ratisbonne* they write, That the Emperor had written a Letter to the Dyet, which they received the 30 paſt, very earneſtly exhorting them to make a ſpeedy and effectual proviſion for the defence and ſecurity of the Empire.

Bruſſels, Januaty 8. This Evening arrived here the Count of *Mansfelt*, Ambaſſador from the Emperor to the King of *Spain*: His Excellency the Marquiſs *de Grana* ſent a Perſon of Quality with his own Coaches to meet him at *Tilmont*, and to Conduct him hither, and has lodged him in the Palace: he will make ſome ſhort ſtay here, and take, as is ſaid, his Journey through *France*, in caſe his Secretary be releaſed out of the *Baſtille*, as it is expected he will upon the liberty of the Sieur *Fayet*, a Domeſtick of the *French* Miniſter at *Vienna*, who the Emperor, as we have already told you, commanded ſhould be put into the hands of the Governor of *Briſac*, in order to his being ſent to *France*, with Authentick Copies of the Examinations that have been taken concerning him. We are as yet very quiet in theſe parts, and do not hear of any conſiderable motion of the *French* Troops in the new Conqueſts, nor of any preparation towards it; However his Excellency is taking the beſt meaſures he can for the defence and ſecurity of theſe Provinces, and is endeavouring ſo to diſpoſe things, that he may, when ever there is occaſion, have a good Army in the Field; We do not hear that his Excellency intends to raiſe any new Troops; but it is ſaid, that his Excellency is Treating with ſome of the Princes of *Germany* in order to their furniſhing him, when he ſhall deſire it, a good Body of Men; and beſides, his Excellency will have a Fond ready to raiſe Recruits for the Troops that are now on foot, which, it's ſaid, may be done in very little time when ever it is gone about.

Bruſſels, Januaty 12. His Excellency has publiſhed very ſtrict Orders, requiring all Officers to repair to their reſpective Commands, and has written to the ſeveral Governors of places, and to the *Maiſtres de Camp* to give him an account of the names of ſuch as ſhall be abſent from their Gariſons on the 15 Inſtant. Count *Mansfeldt* has received the Compliments of all the Miniſters and Nobility, and is very kindly treated by his Excellency; It is ſaid he will make a ſtay here of a Month or ſix weeks. The Counteſs *d'Egmond* is lately dead, to the great grief, as well as loſs, of her Family. The King of *Spain* has, as we are informed, approved of what his Excellency propoſed concerning the continuing only ſix *Spaniſh* Regiments in the ſervice of theſe Provinces, which are to conſiſt of 1000 Men each; and accordingly the Regiments of *Caſtillio* and *Gracbal* are reformed to recruit the other Bodies, and the Regiment which the Marquiſs of *Bedmar* had is given to Don *Caſtillio*, and Count *Gracbal* has the Regiment of Don *Numniez de Salados*, who is made Governor of *Newport*; and Don *Antonio Medrano* is made Governor and High-Bailiff of *Dendermond*.

Bruſſels, Januaty 15. The Term given to *Spain* by the moſt Chriſtian King expires this day; The Governors of ſeveral places that are here, are returning to their Commands, but the Prince *de Chimay*,